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# Fergusonville Gladiolus Farm

## Davenport, New York

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We wish to thank our patrons for their orders and letters of appreciation we received this past season, it prompts us to offer this list of outstanding gladiolus in an eager effort to make your 1941 garden most enjoyable.

We are gladiolus specialists and hybridizers, with many years of experience, sparing neither time nor money trying out thousands of varieties and seedlings each year to select a few of the very best in our judgment for you. Being florists we should know what a good spike looks like and those the public demand.

Many people visit our gardens during the blooming season which is from July 15 to Oct. 1st. Davenport is 12 miles east of the city of Oneonta. We start to plant our fields about May 10th, therefore your order should be on hand by that time. We advise early orders because our stock of some of the newer varieties is limited.

Remittance may be made by money order, draft, or check. Please do not send stamps. 25% down will hold your order for spring delivery. We acknowledge your order when received, and prepare to ship at once, weather permitting, unless otherwise instructed by you. Gladiolus are easy to grow, but we send full instructions with each order. All orders of \$1.00 or over are insured and shipped postpaid.

Due to climate and soil conditions, some varieties grow well in one locality and poor in another; those listed here grow fine in our garden and for most of our customers. A safe way is to try a few of several varieties to discover for yourself the ones that you like and that grow well in your soil. Elaborate descriptions, flashy pictures, and high prices do not help much, the trial is the thing, then buy all you want.

Due to the fact that many varieties which are very good practically duplicate one another, we have tried to make this list selective rather than all inclusive. However, we grow hundreds of varieties not listed here and can furnish most any known variety at the same price offered by any reliable grower.

Hybridizers attention! Owing to the many requests from hybridizers for the bulbs of Twin-City, the double gladiolus originated by us, which we will not be able to release for at least two years, we are offering seedling No. 12-206 which is the parent of Twin-City. This is a giant soft pink that produces quite a few double florets. This variety is a rank and healthy grower, a beauty which produces many seeds and should be named. The price is \$5.00 per bulb and the supply is very limited.

The best new red glads in our judgment are as follows from light to dark in order: Beacon, Toreador, Algonquin, American Commander, Rewi Fallu, Black Opal, and Red Giant which is cerise. There are many pinks, but here are a few new ones you should have: Colossus, Dr. Carolyn, Miss New Zealand, Rima, Flora Farmer.

If you wish to keep up to date on glads, we recommend you join your local Gladiolus Society, which will supply you with much valuable information with quarterly pamphlets. To join our New York State Society send one dollar directly to H. E. Hulbert, McGraw, New York. To join a national society send one dollar to Alvin K. Parker, 93 Day Street, Norwood, Mass. You will receive your membership privileges, and a fine book entitled "The Gladiolus of 1941." For two dollars you receive the book and up-to-the-minute quarterly pamphlets. All are good.

## OUR NEW 1941 INTRODUCTIONS

- DR. CAROLYN**—Large, most intense pink we have ever seen. Mid-season, good healthy grower, fine propagator, 50c per bulb.
- SILVER SKY**—Pink with a picoted edge of silver, early, in great demand by florists. \$1.50 per bulb.
- PEACHES**—Peach and cream color, red blotch, fine grower, good commercial, 50c per bulb.
- TIM MURPHY**—Very large, dark smoky salmon, exhibition spike, odd color but well liked. Good grower and fine in every way. \$2.00 per bulb.
- TOREADOR**—Large, flame red. We think the best in this color. Good in every way. \$1.00 per bulb.
- UTSAYANTHA**—Beautiful pink, straight spike, perfect form, exhibition type. Excellent growing habits. \$1.50 per bulb.
- COLLECTION NO. 5**—One large bulb of each of above. Labeled, insured and postpaid only \$5.

## BEST NEW GLADIOLUS

	each
<b>AMERICAN COMMANDER</b> —red improved Com. Koehl good .....	\$ .80
<b>ALLEGRO</b> —medium blue very fine .....	.20
<b>ALGONQUIN</b> —fine bright red .....	.50
<b>ARABELLA</b> —black glossy red .....	.20
<b>ARIADNE</b> —cream white large red blotch .....	.30
<b>BLACK OPAL</b> —best black red many open .....	.25
<b>BLUE BEAUTY</b> —large medium blue .....	.15
<b>BLUET</b> —violet blue white throat great .....	.60
<b>BUFFETTE</b> —true buff different and nice .....	.50
<b>COLOSSUS</b> —giant tall pink has won over Picardy .....	.20
<b>CRYSTAL</b> —new white .....	1.00
<b>ELIZABETH THE QUEEN</b> —lavender, better than Minuet .....	5.00
<b>FLORA FARMER</b> —large tall pink white throat fine .....	.75
<b>GOLD DUST</b> —a fine yellow, by Pfitzer .....	.15
<b>GOOD HOPE</b> —pink and white has tendency to double .....	.50
<b>GREEN LIGHTS</b> —the green glad, good .....	.20
<b>HARVEST MOON</b> —one of the better new yellows .....	.15
<b>IVORY KEYS</b> —large ivory flowers, good .....	1.50
<b>IRAQ</b> —grey sport of Bagdad .....	.20
<b>KING LEAR</b> —large ruffled velvet purple .....	.60
<b>KING MIDAS</b> —best deep yellow .....	1.00
<b>LORD SELKIRK</b> —prize winning white .....	2.50
<b>MARGARET BEATON</b> —beautiful blotched white .....	.50
<b>MATTERHORN</b> —fine new large, white .....	.50
<b>MYRNA</b> —one of best ruffled creams .....	.75
<b>NARBETHONG</b> —giant salmon rose .....	.60
<b>OREGON ROSE</b> —deep rose, cream edge, swell .....	1.50
<b>PURPLE BEAUTY</b> —large clear dark purple, very fine .....	.60
<b>RED GIANT</b> —strong rose red cream lines .....	.30
<b>REWI FALLU</b> —showy, giant deep red .....	.10
<b>RIMA</b> —fine lilac pink, good .....	.40
<b>ROBERT BURNS</b> —fine medium blue .....	.25
<b>ROYAL GOLD</b> —early yellow of fine substance .....	.40
<b>SNOW PRINCESS</b> —one of finest cream whites .....	.50
<b>SUMMER BREEZE</b> —Best fragrant glad, ruffled pink .....	1.00
<b>SURFSIDE</b> —another fine white .....	.60
<b>UNCAS</b> —good brown orange, different .....	.20
<b>WHITE GOLD</b> —large new cream gold throat fine .....	3.00
<b>YELLOW PERIL</b> —one of the best new deep yellows .....	1.20
<b>ZUNI</b> —smoky salmon slate rose and orange, good .....	.20

We ship you 5 bulbs of one variety for the price of 4, or 10 for the price of 8. If you prefer medium size bulbs take  $\frac{1}{4}$  off, small at  $\frac{1}{2}$  off list price. All postpaid.

# STANDARD VARIETIES

POSTPAID

1 bulb 10 cents  
5 bulbs 35 cents  
10 bulbs 60 cents

25 bulbs \$1.25  
50 bulbs \$2.25  
100 bulbs \$4.00

**AFLAME**—large begonia rose, a prim hybrid  
**ALBATROSS**—tall, white, large flowers, many open  
**BAGDAD**—large, dark, smoky rose, many open, late  
**BEACON**—large salmon scarlet cream blotch extra  
**BERTY SNOW**—orchid lavender, many open, a prize winner  
**BETTY NUTHALL**—large medium salmon, good late one  
**BLUE ADMIRAL**—tall, very fine, medium blue, only 10 per customer  
**BRIGHTSIDES**—orange and yellow decorative fine, early  
**CAMBERRA**—yellow, strong, good for exhibition  
**CAMELLIA**—tinted pink, dark feather, only 10 per customer  
**CORONATION**—beautiful cream pink, tall and strong  
**DR. BENNETT**—orange scarlet, very good  
**DR. DURR**—cream white, early, a florist variety  
**DOX**—very large, yellow, not over 10 per customer  
**DUNA**—very soft, buff pink  
**FRANK J. MCCOY**—deep pink, long flower, head winner  
**GOLD DUST**—yellow, good, not over 10 per customer  
**HERITAGE**—excellent pink, many open florets  
**HERCULES**—buff, one of the few true buff color  
**HINEMOA**—deep rose cream throat, speckled novelty  
**JALNA**—excellent, smoky, many open, not over 10 per customer  
**KEMPENFELDT**—blue, good, not over 10 per customer  
**KING ARTHUR**—ruffled mauve, odd and pretty  
**MARY ELIZABETH**—early, ruffled cream, pretty  
**MAID OF ORLEANS**—the best commercial, cream white  
**MRS. NEW ZEALAND**—huge salmon pink, only 10 per customer  
**MRS. RAY P. CHASE**—early, cream yellow throat, commercial  
**MOTHER MACHREE**—smoky lavender, gold edge  
**PICARDY**—large salmon, most popular in existence  
**PELEGRINA**—deep blue, color value very great  
**PRAIRIE GOLD**—deep yellow, unusual color  
**POLAR ICE**—best early white, pure in color  
**RED LORY**—exhibition red, with purple blotch, many open  
**SYMPHONY**—tall, pink, very good  
**SHIRLEY TEMPLE**—huge ruffled cream, very fine  
**SCHWABEN GIRL**—very clear medium pink  
**TAKINA**—huge purplish rose  
**VAGABOND PRINCE**—brown with flame blotch, odd and pretty  
**WURTEMBERGIA**—large dazzling red with white throat  
**YELLOW EMPEROR**—exhibition and commercial medium yellow

## ORDER BLANK

**FERG GLAD FARM**  
DAVENPORT, NEW YORK

**ORDER NO.**\_\_\_\_\_

Mr. .... Date .....

R. D. or St. ....

Post Office ..... State .....

Ship When ..... Amt. Enclosed \$.....

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Free bulb of a fine new variety will be included in your order if you will please fill in below 3 names of people you know that grow gladiolus as a hobby.

Name .....

Street .....

Place .....

State .....

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### COLLECTION NO. 5

One large bulb of our 1941 introductions as advertised, Dr. Carolyn, Peaches, Silver Sky, Tim Murphy, Toreador and Utsayantha, for \$5.

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### COLLECTION NO. 10

5 large bulbs of 20 exhibition varieties, our selection. 100 bulbs in all. Labeled and postpaid. A splendid collection for \$3.00, or 50 bulbs for \$1.50.

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### COLLECTION NO. 20

100 large bulbs of 50 varieties. All colors. Unlabeled and postpaid. A super collection for \$2.50. 50 bulbs for \$1.25. This collection is entirely different from the above.

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### FREE BULB OF ULSTER

For each dollar your order totals we will include one free bulb of Ulster, our new beautiful golden pink.

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